

Joint Budget Committee

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Meeting Minutes

April 21, 2006

8:20 – 9:05 a.m.

Attendees: Rick Hoppe, Mayor's Office; Robin Mahoney & Brian Wachman, United Way; Ray Stevens, Bob Workman & Kerry Eagan, County Board; Patte Newman & Annette McRoy, City Council; and Kit Boesch, Human Services.

Ray called the meeting to order. Minutes of the March 3, 2006 meeting were approved as emailed.

Kit focused on key items in the Human Services Monthly Activity Report. Several grants have been written and submitted and much assistance given to other agencies writing/submitting grants. She visited five agency facilities during the past month that have either relocated or had program and/or staff changes. She and Robin met with the "211" Director in an effort to improve and implement changes to the overall accuracy of the system, make it more visible and utilized more. The Nonprofit Governance Task Force hosted a conference, featuring presenter Hildy Gottlieb, for 80 attendees from various local nonprofit agencies and the Funders group addressing future funding and "Friendraising". As chair of our local FEMA, Kit shared the news our community would be receiving \$23,800 of Federal funding and the agencies and amounts that the funds would be allocated to. A brief discussion on the change of directorship at the Malone Center took place—the departure of Jesse Payne and the installation of T. J. McDowell effective May 1, 2006. Efforts are being made to obtain grant funds to proceed with planning a program for developing a Meth Prevention Project. Discussion followed with suggestions and ideas on an approach to develop a plan and avenues to research including the review of prevention plans already in place in other communities. The "Rain in a Dry Land" movie showing at the Ross Theatre this month supported by the NATF had about 75 viewers and 50+ discussion participants after the showing. Efforts will be made to purchase the film this fall when it becomes available to the public.

2006-07 JBC Recommendations have been made by the Human Services Office. Discussion books with complete applicant request information will be delivered during the 2nd week in May and the JBC review of these applications will take place at the next JBC meeting on June 2, 2006.

Due to guidelines established by the United Methodist Church Ministries of the Midlands, Rev. Wayne Reynolds who had previously been selected, and approved by the Keno Advisory Board, JBC, City Council and County Board, to fill the spot vacated by Tina Fardella on the Keno Prevention Advisory Board has declined acceptance of the appointment. We will continue to seek out worthwhile candidates to fill this vacancy.

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Ray reported on his take of the Hildy Gottlieb conference and her expertise on today's funding that should be based on programs offered by an agency; not the agency offering the program. She stressed the idea that impact must be created within an agency in order for an agency to impact the community. Collaborative efforts among agencies is essential today. The Funders group agreed and will stress the importance of these joint efforts

Robin noted that review of all application requests and audits of requesting agencies is almost complete and the review process should be finished by the 1st week in May.

There was no Urban Development report this month.

The meeting was adjourned.

NEXT JBC MEETING—

FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2006

NOTE THE TIME CHANGE:

9:00 A.M.

MAYOR'S CONFERENCE ROOM